

Please insert the following in place of lines 1-10 of page 23 of the specification.

Shown in Figure 11 has a center reinforcing linear support [104] 118 made by forming the tip plate 106 using two linear sections, turning up adjacent linear edges of each section and butt welding the two turned up edges together to form support [104] 118. It is also suitable to use a one piece tip plate and a linear support [104] 118 having the same cross section as the cross supports 102 shown in Figures 9 and 10.

The bushings 100 and 117 perform in a substantially superior manner to prior art bushings, particularly in bushings having 1600 or more orifices, with or without the same number of tips 119. Some bushings don't have tips, but at most raised areas around each orifice on the bottom side of the orifice plate.